In 2017 and 2018 we analysed nearly 3500 pages of strategic and policy documents. We have consulted with 495 experts on behalf of over 1.5 million law enforcement officials from 28 EU Member States.

Based on this research, it became evident:

There is a high demand for law enforcement training to overcome the core capability gaps identified.

Core capability gaps in law enforcement training:

1. Facilitation of Illegal Immigration
2. Counter-terrorism
3. Trafficking in Human Beings
4. Cyber-crime - Child Sexual Abuse and Sexual Exploitation
5. Criminal Finances and Money laundering
6. Cyber-crime - Attacks on Information Systems
7. Black Traffic, Distribution and Use of Firearms and Explosives
8. Organised Property Crime
9. Drugs - Production, Trafficking and Distribution of new Psychoactive Substances and Synthetic
10. Cyber-crime - Non-cash Payment Fraud
11. Document Fraud
12. Drugs - Production, Trafficking and Distribution of Cannabis, Cocaine, Heroin
14. Crime Prevention
15. Forensics
16. Corruption
17. Missing Trader Intra-Community Fraud
18. Environmental Crime
19. Excise Fraud
20. Fundamental Rights
21. CSDP Missions

These topics shall be included in every training across the 21 thematic categories identified by the EU STNA.

21 thematic training categories prioritised by EU Member States

Now, EU law enforcement training providers are invited to take a closer look at the EU-STNA Report and align their offer to fill in the capability gaps identified.

In 2020 CEPOL will evaluate the impact/progress.